

"I feel better knowing
Mike has my stolen base
stats-so he can see
he's not the only catcher
I've embarrassed."

"Keep reading, Kenny.
It'll give you something
to do in the dugout
after I've gunned you down."







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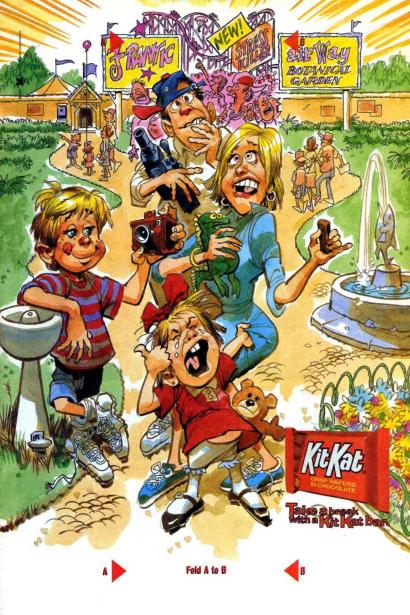






































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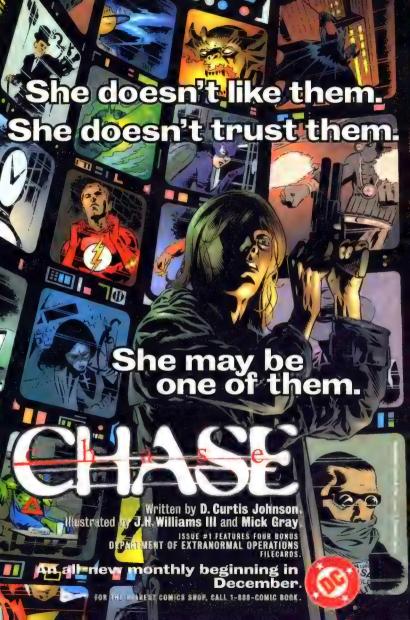














































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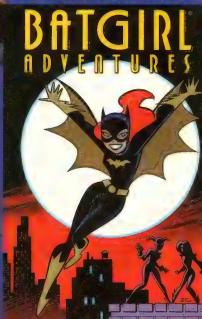
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I'm a twelve-vear-old kid who still watches cartoons and thinks cartooning would be a fun job. I carry my drawing book around with me almost everywhere. This causes me lots of trouble because of kids in my school who are snobs and always stealing my book. Then they try to insult me by telling me that either they're better than me or someone else they know is. Even though I want to punch them I prefer not to. because that would just get me sus-pended.

If there are more major cartoon fans who are willing to challenge me with their knowledge of cartoons, have them send in a letter and maybe I'll mail them. The only reason I won't have them mail me is I'm afraid of unabombers and psychopaths.

P.S. Drop the stupid game.



Art by Paul Fischer

them. Okav-Number One: Why do you think it's "Mr." Editor? Bronwyn is considered a very girly name in Wales.

Two: Every time we interview a cartoonist for our letter columns, the main advice they have for young artists is to DRAW, DRAW. DRAW. It sounds like you're already doing that, if you carry your sketchbook around with you, so you're definitely on the right track to becoming a cartoonist.

Three: Kids who put you down probably envy you because you have something they don't-a goal. Most kids are pretty confused about what they want to do in their lives, which is okay because they don't really have to decide yet. But when one kid seems so certain of what he wants to be-an artist, or a writer, or a geologist, or whatever-it can make other kids anxious. even if they don't know why they feel that way. It's okay to feel angry when they give you a hard time, but you're right to avoid fighting with them-it wouldn't really help the situation.

Four: "Unabombers and psychopaths " are way more rare than TV and movies make it sound-you probably don't need to worry about them. If you have access to a computer and a modem you can challenge other cartoon fans to contests over the internet without giving out your address.

Five: What stupid game?



Megaboy/24 (via the Internet)

Elintetones

How come u R making little baby comics now? Now little sister gets all the comics and I don't. THIS MAKES ME REALLY MAD.

Dear Megaboy/24, CALM DOWN.

(And no, we don't have an e-mail address yet; this was forwarded to us by our friend, Helix editor Stuart Moore.)

And now it's time to say Write to us at

The Flintstones and The Jetsons, c/o DC Comics, 1700 Broadway, New York, NY 10019—we're waiting for YOUR letter!

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It's Kung-Fu Month in Bedrock, as Betty and Wilma use their martial arts training to battle international spies ZOW! And Judy Jetson fights for justice with space-age skills—POW! It's Kung-Fu Month in all the stories in all of DC's Cartoon Network comics-WOWI

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drawn and colored by Glen Hanson, but it was inked by Mike DeCarlo 'cause that's just the kind of month it was.





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No. not really. Some "stone age" people did live in caves, but most did not. Cave bears (like the one in the Flintstones story in this issue), cave lions, and even cave hyenas discouraged early people from moving into caves.

Most "cave-dwellers" stayed in a tent or other simple shelter at the mouth of a cave, and only went back into the dark cavern for the magic ceremonies they performed to bring good luck in hunting. (The ancient paintings of animals and hunters on the walls of some caves can't have been made just for decoration, because they're so way far back in the darkest part of the caves that no one could have seen them unless they were standing right next to them with a torch.)

Although caves offer good protection against rain, snow, and cold outside, they tend to be dark and damp inside. In fact, most underground caves are formed when underground water slowly dissolves underground rock, leaving tunnels and chambers or caverns. Many caves actually have lakes, rivers, or waterfalls inside them. Anyone who tried to live in these wet, dark places would probably get sick—that's

another reason why most "cave entrance to a cave.

Further back from a cave's entrance is a "twilight area" where some light still reaches the interior. This is the home of many REAL cave dwellersdifferent kinds of animals. Bears. weasels, raccoons, rats, lizards, and birds are just some of the animals who commonly make their homes in caves. Of course, the most common cave-dwelling animal is -THE BAT. Many different species of bats live in caves, hanging upside down from the roof to sleep during the day and flying outside to hunt for food at night. Here's what one encyclopedia says about bats in EAVES

"In many caves the excrement of bats forms deep deposits on the cave floors. This excrement, which is called guano, is an important source of commercial fertilizer."

And it's another important reason why people do in caves!

There's a third zone inside deep

caves, the area where no light can reach that's TOTALLY DARK. You might think that nothing can live in total darkness, but guess what? There are lots of happy, healthy mushrooms, fungi, molds, and bacteria living way back there in the dark. What's even creepier is that ANIMALS LIVE THERE. TOO!

Remember that there is plenty of water in most caves, and that means plenty of fish, worms, mollusks, and amphibians. One kind of fish found in caves in the state of Kentucky is called a blindfish. Because it lives in total darkness, it doesn't need evesso it doesn't have any!) And it's all white, as are some cave salamanders and cave frogs.

Caves are also full of insects. spiders, centipedes, mites, beetles, snails, and slugs. In spite of this, lots of people enjoy exploring caves as a hobby. These people are called "cavers" or "spelunkers" (from the Latin word for cave). Serious spelunkers outfit themselves with spiked boots, hard hats, and all kinds of special equipment to explore and map unknown caverns and underground tunnels. But even the most intense spelunker would probably agree —Caves are a nice place to visit.

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